GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5984
ANSWERED ON:26.04.2001
SOLAR LIGHTING SYSTEM IN RURAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provide Solar Home Lighting Systems (SHLS) for rural areas in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, during the last three years State-wise; and

(c) the fresh steps taken / proposed to implement Solar Rural Electrification Programme in Maharashtra and especially in Marathwada Region ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN)

(a) & (b) : Yes Sir, the Government is implementing a country wide Solar Photovoltaic (SPV) Programme, under whichdifferent types of SPV systems, including solar home lighting systems are being installed, primarily in the rural areas of the country. The State - wise details of the solar home lighting systems installed during the last three years are given in the Annexure.

(c): During the current year, the Ministry proposes to start a new programme for the electrification of villages in difficult and remote areas through renewable energy options like Solar Photovoltaics, Biomassand Small Hydro Systems. Maharashtra is not likely to be included in the new programme since all its census villages have already been electrified, according to the data compiled by the Central Electricity Authority.

Annexure referred to in reply to Parts (a)&(b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 5984 for Thursday, the 26th April 2001

State / UT - Wise details (Nos.) of Solar Home Lighting Systems installed during last three years

S.NO.	STATE/UT	1998-1999 Nos. (as on 28/2/2001)	1999-2000 Nos.	2000-2001 Nos.
1	Andhra Pradesh	91	192	0
2	Arunachal Pradesh	152	241	0
3	Assam	450	252	271
4	Bihar (including Jharkhand)	249	201	100
5	Goa	0	0	20
6	Gujarat	188	282	1367
7	Haryana	667	1647	1034
8	Himachal Pradesh	0	2450	2470
9	Jammu & Kashmir	2484	3739	1188
10	Karnataka	0	0	1004
11	Kerala	33	1112	569
12	Madhya Pradesh (including Chattisgarh)	0	49	35
13	Maharashtra	62	89	144
14	Manipur	50	0	0
15	Meghalaya	0	50	0
16	Mizoram	249	136	0
17	Nagaland	0	0	135
18	Orissa	579	192	525
19	Punjab	1400	600	320
20	Rajasthan	3964	5775	6425
21	Sikkim	4	50	0
22	Tamilnadu	0	19	50
23	Tripura	115	40	160
24	Uttar Pradesh (including Uttaranchal)	6944	6176	13924
25	West Bengal	3585	2049	5607
26	Chandigarh	100	0	50
	TOTAL	21,366	25,341	35,398